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MINUTES OF THE 157TH. MEETING OF THE TRANSVAAL AFRICAN
SCOUT COUNCIL HELD AT THE JUBILEE SOCIAL CENTRE,
JOHANNESBURG, ON SATURDAY, 11TH. MAY, 1957 AT 11.00 A.M.

PRESENT: The Divisional Commissioner, C.N. Wallace, Esq.
(Chairman) The Honorary Divisional Secretary, J.P. Rees,
Esq., Messrs. M.P. Tetwayo, Lot A.H. Sikwane, L.M. Seepe,
D.C. Marivate, N.S. Mokgako, Rev. D.F. Sibeko and
S.J. Sereme.

APOLOGIES for absence were received from Rev. G.V.M. Coleman,
O.M.I., Rev. J.B.K. Tsebe, Messrs. J.R. Rathebe,
H.H. Musgrove, and G.A.P. Mphenyeko.

MINUTES: The minutes of the previous meeting held on 26th. Nov.,
1956, having been circulated were taken as read and
confirmed.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES: (a) Bob-a-job. An amount of
£200.-.- was reported as having been received in the
Office of which £90.-.- had been spent on various
arrangements. After discussion it was agreed to discuss
at a more representative meeting, whether
(1) Bob-a-job should be unrestricted effort, or
(2) Should be limited to selected and closely supervised
troops.
(b) "J.I.M. Contingent". It was reported that the S.A.H.Q.
Boy Scouts Association in close contact with the
"J.I.M. Committee" was doing all in its power to see that
every member of the Contingent gets the necessary Passport.
The question of pocket money was discussed and it was
agreed that it was the duty of each boy's parents to see
that it is paid to the office by Wednesday, 15th. May,
1957, so that each member could in return be issued with
a "Bank Book" showing his balance.
(c) Headquarters Meeting on 5th. January, 1957.
The Chairman reported the following:-
(1) World Jamboree 1957: That the General Secretary had
given a report on this that the South African Contingent
would leave Cape Town on the 5th. July and be back again
on the 10th. October, 1957.
(2) P.O. & R. That this would be issued in three separate
booklets: General Principles, Uniform and Badges and
Basic Tests and Proficiency Badges.
(3) CENSUS. That the General Secretary reported on the
figures that these forms were outstanding from Transvaal,
Cape Midlands and Griqualand West.
(4) GENERAL. That Mr. Rathebe, Deputy Divisional Commissio-
ner, (Transvaal) had reported that his Division recommended
that the Official Afrikaans translation of "African Boy
Scouts" be "Afrikaan Padvindere instead of "Naturelle
Padvindere", and that this was agreed to.
(5) NEXT MEETING. The date to be Saturday: 4th. January,
1958. (Bloemfontein)

TRAINERS' REPORTS. Mr. Marivate reported on the following:-
That in January he visited 6th. Atteridgeville Troop,
under the Scoutmastership of Mr. P. Masia, only to find
that the Boys in the upper classes had been transferred to
another. In consequence he helped towards starting a new
Troop.

On the 26th. April, officers of the above mentioned
Troop and Pack attended the Cub Wood Badge Course organised
at Irene. 5th. Atteridgeville Troop was reported doing well
under a lady officer who was trained by our Miss K.J.
Braybrooke, last year.

1st. Atteridgeville Troop almost dying was revived by a
Rhodesian lad called Roy Sithole, thus the Troop is
progressing. He has 25 Boy Scouts Troop who meet
occasionally every Thursday at 5/00 p.m.

7th. Atteridgeville Troop which is a new Troop is
progressing under Scoutmastership of the Very Rev.
Magahlela.

Vlakfontein/ . . .

Vlakfontein. The following is the position in Vlakfontein:-

There are 469 Scouts, 327 Cubs and 30 Officers. On Sunday, 14th. April, there was a Mendi Rally which was addressed by Mr. J.R. Rathebe, Deputy Divisional, his visit encouraged many Scouts and Scouters, and all regretted that he left too soon. They wanted to see more of him and to hear the news about Scouting.

CAMPS AND COURSES. On the 22nd. - 24th. February four Troops it is reported camped together at Morakeng, Irene. 81 Boys and 7 officers were present.

A refresher Course for 1957 "J.I.M. Contingent" was held also at Morakeng, Irene, on the 26th., 27th. and 28th. April, and Mr. J.W.S. Blic, was in-charge.

SCOUTERS' COURSE. This took place at Irene too on the same dates as above and Mr. Marivate was in-charge. The fees were 10/- per head. There were 16 Trainees at this Course.

PRESENTATION OF WOOD BADGES. This took place at Donaldson's Orlando Community Centre, Orlando, on Saturday, 20th. April, 1957 at "2/00" p.m.

Present were the following: Messrs. Deputy Divisional Commissioner, J.R. Rathebe, J.P. Rees, Honorary Divisional Secretary, and Mr. G.C. Gillies Wilson, who presented these to our 12 Officers, and also gave a very explanation on the Wood Badge and how it came about.

Mr. Rathebe opened the Rally. There were speeches by Mr. T.R. McNully the D.C.C. - in - charge Central Zone (Training) and Mr. Marivate the convenor!

Mr. Mokgako. He reported that most of his time in January, was spent in preparation for the visit of Maj. General D.C. Spry. In February - tried all his level best to encourage Scouting in Orlando, where only 3 Troops had been active. He was unable to get the "Census Returns" from the Scouters or District Commissioner concerned.

In March he was busy instructing Troops selected for their honesty and tidyness to take part in the "Bob-a-job Week" from 1st. - 6th. April, 1957.

In April he did Office Work, in the absence of our Assistant Divisional Secretary, Mr. S.J. Sereme, who was on leave. As regards the Wood Badge Rally, Mr. Mokgako stated that there were 13 - thirteen Troops present at this truly successful show and that a letter of appreciation had been received from Mr. T.R. McNully.

FINANCE. The Chairman said that he had no report on this except the Balance Sheet, as at 30th. September, 1956. He further on stated that the response by Donors had fallen greatly in the financial year ended December, 1956.

GENERAL. Mr. L.M. Saepe D/C., Johannesburg West Central, asked the Chairman whether the Movement benefits from the instructions given in Scouting to the Jan H. Hofmeyr School of Social Work. Mr. Marivate said that individuals did take up Scouting as in the case of Mr. Maouane, who it was reported to be doing well at Vlakfontein, Eerste Fabrieke.

APPOINTMENTS.

MOHUTSIOA, Zacharia Austin	S.M.	4th. Roodepoort.
SITHOLE, Simon	A.S.M.	1st. Pietersburg.

Date of next meeting. It was agreed that this be held on Tuesday, 9th. July, 1957, at 4/00 p.m. at the Jubilee Social Centre, Eloff Street South, Johannesburg.

You are earnestly requested to attend.

J.P. REES
HONORARY DIVISIONAL SECRETARY.

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THE MINUTES OF THE 158TH. MEETING OF THE TRANSVAAL
AFRICAN SCOUT COUNCIL HELD AT THE JUBILEE SOCIAL CENTRE,
JOHANNESBURG, ON WEDNESDAY, 16TH. OCTOBER, 1957 AT 4/00 P.M.

PRESENT: The Divisional Commissioner, C.N. Wallace, Esq., (Chairman)
The Honorary Divisional Secretary, J.P. Rees, Esq.,
The Divisional Headquarters Commissioner, H.H. Musgrove, Esq.,
Rev. M. Buchler, Rev. J.B.K. Tsebe; Messrs. L.M. Seepe,
M.B. Tetwayo, D.C. Marivate, N.S. Mokgako and S.J. Sereme.

CHAIRMAN: Mr. C.N. Wallace (Divisional) took the chair.

APOLOGIES for absence were received from Fr. S.M. Trelawny-Ross, C.R.
and Mr. J.R. Rathebe.

MINUTES: The minutes of the previous meeting held on 11th. May, 1957,
having been circulated were taken as read and confirmed.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES: (a) Bob-a-job. After a long
debate on this it was agreed in principle to hold a Rally
on Saturday, 9th. November, 1957, at the Bantu Sports
Ground, to welcome the Scouters and Boys who have returned
from the International Jamboree, at Birmingham, England.

It was agreed to give a Welcome Reception at the Bantu
Men's Social Centre, on the same day until say late
afternoon, to hear from the two leaders accounts of their
experiences whilst overseas.

A Sub-Committee was appointed consisting of:-

Mr. J.P. Rees, Rev. M. Buchler, Messrs. H.H. Musgrove,
D.C. Marivate, N.S. Mokgako and the Divisional Commissioner,
C.N. Wallace, Esq.

(b) Census. It was reported by the Assistant Secretary,
that only a few Census Returns had been received at the
Office.

TRAINERS' REPORTS. Mr. Marivate reported on the sudden death of
Mr. A.P. Khonoti, S.M. of the 10th. Lady Selborne Troop,
who for many years had been a keen Scouter in word and deed.

The Council agreed that a letter of condolence be sent
to his family.

He said that the Training Course Team proposes to hold
a re-union of all Wood Badge and Part 2 Certificate holders
on 15th. December 1957, with the object of encouraging
further progress.

Mr. Marivate reported that on the 29th. September, 1957,
The Honorary Divisional Secretary, J.P. Rees, Esq. presented
19 candidates with Part 2 Certificates. (Wood Badge)

He read a report from Potgietersrust stating that our
Mr. O. Motebe, D.S.M. ran a Camp from the 5th. - 7th.
October, 1957, with 132 Boys and Officers.

Mr. Mokgako reported that on the 17th. August, 1957,
Saturday, a successful one day Training Course for Officers
of the West Rand, was held at the Methodist Bantu School,
Randfontein. The organiser was D/C. A.M. Sepanya.

On Wednesday, 2nd. October, 1957, at Springs, a whole
day competitive Rally based on Tenderfoot Tests was held
from 10.00 a.m. to 4/30 p.m. The Girl Guides, Brownies,
Wayfarers and Sunbeams also attended to compete separately
in their tests. Thanks are due to the Welfare Officers of
Springs Municipality, Messrs. E.E. Dittrich and A. Msimang
who organised the Rally. The Manager of the Non-European
Affairs Department, deputised for the Lord Mayor of Springs
who was invited to attend.

There were two only Troops 1st. Springs and 2nd.
1st. Springs Pack won the Cub Flag Floating Trophy and the
2nd. Springs Troop the the Scout Flag Floating Trophy. Both
Trophies were the gifts of the Springs Town Council, to
whom the Council of the African Boy Scouts Association is
most grateful.

A re-union of the Wood Badge Scouters and Scouters having
Part 2 Certificates of the Wood Badge (Cub, Scout and Rover)
was going to be held on the 14th. and 15th. December, 1957.

A Fee of 5/- per head would be charged for catering.

A Wood Badge Course/

A Wood Badge Course (Scout) was to be held at Natalspruit from the 15th. to 22nd. December, 1957. Fees would be £1.10.- per Scouter applicant.

The Training Course Committee had agreed that the proposed scheme of Pre-Warrant Training go to S.A.H.Q. Boy Scouts Association, and it was agreed that all Pre-Warrant applicants should have completed Part 2 within 4 (Four) months from date of receiving questions to be answered.

CORRESPONDENCE: N i l .

GENERAL: After discussion on the irregularity of the Council Meetings, it was agreed that they should be held once a quarter and that even if Mr. Wallace is away meetings should be convened and held.

APPOINTMENTS:

SHAI, Ernest K.	R.S.L.	5th. Johannesburg.
NYAMANE, Isaiah	A.R.S.L.	5th. Johannesburg.
TSHUPE, Ephraim	S.M.	1st. Luka.
LANGA, Abram	S.M.	1st. Dibeng.
MOREI, Conrad	S.M.	1st. Matau-Pilwe.
HLAPA, Simon	A.S.M.	2nd. Irene.
HLATSHWAKO, Joseph H.	A.S.M.	3rd. Evaton.
ZWANE, M.S.	C.M.	1st. Lady Selborne.
SONTI, Alice Phila	A.C.M.	6th. Atteridgeville.
MANANA, Bertha	A.C.M.	1st. Johannesburg.
MEJE, Julia	A.C.M.	1st. Johannesburg.

REGISTRATIONS: N i l .

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: This has been fixed for Tuesday, 11th. February, 1958.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5/50 p.m.

Minutes confirmed at the meeting on

Chairman

NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING.

The next meeting of the Transvaal African Scout Council will be held at the Jubilee Social Centre, Eloff Street South, Johannesburg, on T U E S D A Y 11th. F E B R U A R Y , 1 9 5 8 at 4/30 p.m.

The Chief Scouts' Commissioner, The Venerable Archdeacon S.P. Woodfield, M.A. will be coming down specially for this meeting, and he is most anxious to meet every Scout Councillor on this occasion, so please make a special effort to be present.

J.P. REES
HONORARY DIVISIONAL SECRETARY.

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9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.
 - (a) S.A.H.Q. Meeting Report.
 - (b) Resignation of Scout Organiser N.S. Mokgako.

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